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MEETING OF THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2003 AT 2:00 PM

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
GOVERNING BOARD**

STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER

111 NW FIRST STREET

MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBER

AGENDA

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- April 24, 2003

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IV. ACTION ITEMS

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RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY 2004-2008 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH CLEAN AIR ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1990 (*PUBLIC HEARING*)

B. FY 2004 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FOR TRANSPORTATION
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY 2004 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FOR TRANSPORTATION AND AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL TO THE FUNDING AGENCIES (*PUBLIC HEARING*)

C. FY 2003 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) AMENDMENT
RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2003 UPWP TO REALLOCATE FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE PREPARATION OF THE 2030 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP)

D. MPO WORK PLANS AND BUDGETS FOR ISSUANCE OF WORK ORDERS
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E. MIC/EARLINGTON HEIGHTS CONNECTOR STUDY
RESOLUTION SELECTING A LOCALLY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE FOR THE MIAMI INTERMODAL CENTER/EARLINGTON HEIGHTS CONNECTOR STUDY

V. REPORTS

A. MEMBERS

1. Request by Board Member Joe A. Martinez: Presentation on the East/West Corridor Project

B. MANAGER

1. Pedestrian Safety Program
2. Downtown Master Plan: Final Report

C. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

D. SECRETARIAT

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA
GOVERNING BOARD**

MEETING OF THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2003 AT 2:00 P.M.

**STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER
111 NW FIRST STREET
COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

SUMMARY MINUTES

Vice Chairperson Katy Sorenson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. In addition, the following members were present at the initiation of the meeting:

Bruno Barreiro	Jimmy L. Morales
Manuel A. Diaz	Dennis C. Moss
Betty T. Ferguson	Dorin D. Rolle
Perla T. Hantman	Darryl K. Sharpton
M. Ronald Krongold	Jose Smith

Non-voting members present: Mr. Gary Donn, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).

The following staff members were present: Bill Johnson, Assistant County Manager, Jose-Luis Mesa, Director, MPO Secretariat, and Robert Cuevas, Assistant County Attorney.

Vice Chairperson Katy Sorenson informed the Board that the July 17, 2003 was rescheduled to July 24, 2003.

**III. MEMBER, VACANCY, ATTENDANCE AND DEMOGRAPHICS
REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**1. CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(CTAC)**

Mr. Mike Hatcher, CTAC's 1st Vice-Chair, informed the Board that CTAC endorsed the FY 2004-2008 TIP and FY 2004 UPWP at its April meeting. He further stated that CTAC endorsed 4B as its locally preferred alternative for the MIC/Earlington Heights Connector Study. He also stated that CTAC is currently working on hosting a workshop with the insurance and law enforcement agencies to determine why the rates are so high in South Florida. He concluded by thanking the Board for their continued support in CTAC's efforts and respectfully reminded them to fill their vacancies.

2. TRANSPORTATION AESTHETIC REVIEW COMMITTEE (TARC)

No reports were provided.

3. BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC)

Mr. Ted Silver, BPAC Chairman, informed the Board that BPAC had the opportunity to meet with Mr. Roosevelt Bradley, Director of Miami Dade Transit, where they discussed planned improvements for the transit system with regards for cyclists and locker users. He informed the Board that BPAC passed a resolution endorsing the American Airline Arena Pedestrian Bridge and would like to receive an update on its progress. He concluded by stating that BPAC endorsed the Walk to School Day and encourages that the MPO Board does the same.

Board Member Hantman stated that she wholeheartedly supports Walk to School Day and anticipates bringing a resolution to the Dade County School Board in June encouraging that they promote the event and direct the superintendent to encourage all of Dade County Public Schools to participate in this event.

4. MIAMI-DADE EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY (MDX)

Mr. Servando Parapar, MDX Director, provided the Board with a brief update of the MDX 's projects currently in construction. (*A copy of this Report is available with the MPO Secretariat*).

Mr. Allen Harper, MDX Chair, informed the Board that the Expressway Authority was currently in the proactive stage and have been targeting areas where the growth is expected to happen in the near future. He further stated that the Authority has been meeting with many of the Board members to obtain information that would assist in the planning for the future. He concluded by stating that the Authority will be hosting a planning session on October 10, to continue in this effort.

V. B.2 DOWNTOWN TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN (TAKEN OUT OF ORDER)

Mr. Johnny Winton, City of Miami Commission, provided the Board with a brief overview of the Downtown Transportation Master Plan. He stated that the Plan began in Year 2000 and with the efforts from finances and human resources from various partnerships which included MPO, City of Miami, FDOT the Plan was completed. He also stated he would like to give special thanks to Board Member Bruno Barreiro DTMP Co-Chair, Frank Baron, MPO Project Manager, Clark Turner and Lilia Medina, City of Miami staff, and the consulting firm David Plummer & Associates. He

stated that one of the main goals of this Plan was to create connectivity to the residential neighborhoods surrounding the downtown area. He further stated that the plan also concentrated on making downtown a successful 24 hours urban center that is pedestrian friendly. He then stated that it would also provide for economic development for the Downtown area. He concluded by stating that the City of Miami Commission passed a resolution endorsing the DTMP and encourages the MPO Board to do the same.

Mr. Tim Plummer, David Plummer & Associates, provided the Board with a brief PowerPoint presentation. *(A copy of this PowerPoint Presentation is available with the MPO Secretariat).*

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Mesa informed the Board that Items IV.E and V.A.1 had been deferred at the request of its sponsors.

Board Member Moss moved the approval of the agenda as amended and Board Member M. Diaz seconded the motion. The agenda was approved as amended.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Member Moss moved the approval of the minutes of April 24, 2003, and Board Member Krongold seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as submitted.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. FY 2004-2008 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AND AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY *RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY 2004-2008 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH CLEAN AIR ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1990 (PUBLIC HEARING)*

Vice Chairperson Sorenson opened the public hearing. Vice Chairperson Sorenson closed the public hearing.

Board Member Moss moved for approval of the resolution. Board Member Kerdyk seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

B. FY 2004 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FOR TRANSPORTATION

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY 2004 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FOR TRANSPORTATION AND AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL TO THE FUNDING AGENCIES (PUBLIC HEARING)

Vice Chairperson Sorenson opened the public hearing. Vice Chairperson Sorenson closed the public hearing.

Board Member Rolle moved for the approval of the resolution. Board Member Moss seconded the motion for discussion.

Board Member Sorenson stated that she did not believe that the study MPO as an Independent Entity was relevant and the funds could be used for something else. Board Member Moss added that the coordination between the MPO and various agencies has improved dramatically. He further offered a friendly amendment to the motion to withdraw the study MPO as an Independent Entity from the FY 2004 UPWP for Transportation.

Board Member Rolle accepted the amendment to the motion. The resolution as amended was approved unanimously.

C. FY 2003 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) AMENDMENT

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2003 UPWP TO REALLOCATE FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE PREPARATION OF THE 2030 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP)

Board Member Krongold moved for approval of the resolution. Board Member Moss seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

D. MPO WORK PLANS AND BUDGET FOR ISSUANCE OF WORK ORDERS

RESOLUTION APPROVING WORK PLANS AND BUDGET FOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNING STUDIES UNDER THE GENERAL PLANNING CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT

Mr. Mesa stated that the study “MPO as an Independent Entity” would be deleted from the Work Plans and Budget in order to be consistent with the action taken by the Board for Item IV.B.

Board Member Moss moved for the approval of the resolution. Board Member Rolle seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

**E. MIC/EARLINGTON HEIGHTS CONNECTOR STUDY
RESOLUTION SELECTING A LOCALLY PREFERRED
ALTERNATIVE FOR THE MIAMI INTERMODAL
CENTER/EARLINGTON HEIGHTS CONNECTOR STUDY**

This item was **deferred** at the request of its Sponsor.

Board Member Moss requested an update on the MIC be presented to the Board at the next MPO meeting.

V. REPORTS

A. MEMBERS

1. Request by Board Member Joe. A. Martinez: Presentation on the East/West Corridor Project

This item was **deferred** at the request of its Sponsor.

B. MANAGER

1. Pedestrian Safety Program

Mr. David Henderson, MPO Project Manager, provided the Board with a brief PowerPoint presentation. *(A copy of this PowerPoint presentation is available with the MPO Secretariat).*

Board Member Barreiro stated that he was currently researching the use of count down signals, which can assist pedestrians when crossing the street.

Board Member M. Diaz expressed concern with the lack of traffic enforcement used. He further stated that the signs and signaling is out of the cities hands which means they have to rely on the county and DOT for results.

Board Member Smith stated that the City of Miami Beach has taken proactive steps to reducing the amount of pedestrian fatalities. He further requested that staff provide the list of recommendations from the Pedestrian Safety Improvements Study once it becomes available.

2. Downtown Transportation Master Plan

This item was taken out of order and presented earlier on the agenda as reflected on page 2 of these minutes.

C. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT)

D. SECRETARIAT

1. Newsletter

Mr. Mesa informed the Board that annual MPO Newsletter is currently being reproduced and will be distributed in the Miami Herald on June 1st, 2003.

VII. ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.